

Log Cabin Mercantile Heritage Inc. &
Conservation Concierges Project and Fire Safe Council
23300 Valley Circle Blvd., Chatsworth Lake Manor, CA, 91311-6454
Unincorporated LA County 5th District - "Support of Map 010"

Oct. 20, 2021

Dear LA County Redistricting Commission,

Honorable Commission my name is Cherokee-lar O'Dea and I am a 4th generation resident, Community Activist and Historical Proprietor of Chatsworth Lake Manor Unincorporated LA County 5th District. My grandparents and Mother started our local Citizens Committee back in the 1960's and they paved the way for our existing Rural Town Council today. It is on behalf of our entire Community we ask with all sincerity to not remove our historical community from the 5th District. Our entire identity is that we are the smallest Town in all of Unincorporated LA County being that we only have just over 600 homes in our area. We are steadfast in our unity and our exiting, ongoing Government and Resident Relations, we have a huge impact on wildfire safety and constant communication with local community members.

This possible removal from the 5th District would this detour our entire foundation as a unified Community, for over the past 60 years. We have just been awarded in Sept 2021, a CALFire Fire Prevention Grant for our area that would help ongoing hazardous fuel mitigation projects in our Canyon Community for the next 4 years. We have over 400 active Community Members that will show up for zone change meetings or paper road threats. We have been celebrated by the Regional Planning Department for our efforts and we are officially sponsored by the 5th District for our most diligent relationships with our residents and Gov & Public Officials.

We successfully saved 17 of our 23 Commercial Zones on our Main St. Lake Manor Drive back in 2015. We have successfully had 70 acres donated to our local Chatsworth Oaks Park to the Santa Monica Mountains Association back in 2014. Our family has owned and operated the Main Community Hub which is our Historical Log Cabin Mercantile Heritage Inc., one of the first Historical landmarks in our Canyon. And we are the host of our sponsored Program the Conservation Concierges Project sponsored by saveourplanet.org/conservation-concierges which is now an official LA County Fire and CALFire Contractor for fuel reduction in our area of Chatsworth Lake Manor and surrounding areas.

We are known historically for working diligently for low impact development in our area. We also have tremendous impact on environmental awareness and our efforts are nonstop. Now having a four-year contract with Cal Fire and LA County Fire for Fire Prevention. We can provide Cost Free Annual Brush Clearance for our Community Members and increase fuel break for our area. We are what's called the Green Belt of The Santa Susannah Mountains and it would be devastating to remove us from the 5th District. Please know we are in support of Map 010 that does not remove us from Supervisor District 5 of Unincorporated LA County.

Thank you,

Cherokee-lar O'Dea

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